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Sherrie Johnson wins NAACP award *Public information officer wins award for service*

(Bel Air, MD) - - Harford County Government Public Information Officer Sherrie Johnson received the John H. Murphy Award for excellence in journalism. Johnson was honored Saturday during the 2013 NAACP Freedom Fighter Awards Breakfast.

Johnson and several others received the awards for service and leadership in the community. The NAACP Baltimore Branch recognized the award recipients for commitment to social and racial equality as the nation celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington.

"For 19 years as a Reporter and Anchor, I was able to give people a voice and tell their stories. This award from the NAACP is an honor because it means the community understands and appreciates my service to the community," said Johnson.

Melinda Craig, first lady of Harford County and Scott Gibson, Director of Human Resources represented Harford County Executive David R. Craig at the breakfast.

"We are so proud of Sherrie. This award reinforces what we know about her leadership and dedication to the community and to be recognized by the NAACP is an honor," said County Executive Craig.

Other awardees included: Kweisi Mfume, Senate President Mike Miller, Delegate Salima Siler Marriott and Senator Allan Kittleman.

The mission of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate race-based discrimination.

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